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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Negro lynched near Drew, Miss., for assaulting a white girl. —— Fire at Nashville, Tenn.; damage over $200,000. —— An attempt to shoot King Alfonso in Madrid failed; the bullet missed its mark; no one was injured. —— Nor. steamer Juno is stranded near False Cape, Va. —— President Roosevelt has been invited to attend the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church South in Lexington, Va., next May. —— The first shipment of cotton from East Africa, consisting of four bales, has arrived in Germany. —— Minister Bowen, at Caracas, will sail for the United States to day; no arrangements have yet been made in Washington for the meeting of the Venezuela commission. —— A burglar, killed by a policeman at Atlanta, has been identified as Harry Belmont, an escaped convict from the penitentiary at Raleigh, N. C.—— Edward J. Dunning, a banker, of Boston, Mass., is held in $30,000 bail to answer a charge of larceny. —— Customs officials in New York arrested a man on the steamship Finland charged with smuggling tobacco. —— N. Y. markets: Money on call quoted steady at 4 per cent; cotton—quiet at 8 90c; flour was steady with a fair demand; wheat—spot steady, No. 2 red 80½c; corn—spot steady, No. 2 59c; oats—spot firm, No. 2 40c; rosin—quiet; spirits turpentine firm.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Dep't of Agriculture, Weather Bureau, Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 10.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperature: 8 A. M., 34 degrees, 8 P. M., 43 degrees; maximum, 48 degrees; minimum, 34 degrees; mean, 41 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, 00; rainfall since 1st of month to date, 1.67.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

Washington, Jan. 10.—For North Carolina: Rain Sunday and in eastern portion Monday; colder Monday; fresh southwest winds, becoming westerly.

Port Almanac—January 11.

Sun Rises	7.09 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.07 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 57 M.
High Water at Southport	5.35 A. M.
High Water Wilmington	8.05 A. M.

A Chicago man wants a divorce on account of a sort of hip trouble. She is his third wife, and he says she hypnotised him into marriage.

Ex Gov. Hogg, of Texas, has retired from the oil business in that State, having, according to report, sold his syndicate interest for $2,000,000, and will try his luck in the Louisiana field.

The Postoffice Department handled last year, through the 34,127 postal order offices, 79,000,000 missives, containing orders to the value of $602,596,930, and lost only $251 through carelessness or dishonesty.

The Laurinburg *Exchange* rounded up its 20th year last week, with ups and downs, mostly downs, but it would not stay down, and is now looking for more of the ups, which it deserves. It is a good and loyal paper.

Miss Dora Meeks, of an Illinois town, who had a scrap with her fellow three months ago, didn't do like some girls do, pout and mope and keep it up, but got in the last word, then went to sleep and has been soundly asleep ever since.

An English soldier tells in a story in a London paper of some of the strange dishes British soldiers sometimes have to eat in foreign countries. The strangest he ever ate, he says, was jam and roasted monkey. He says the monkey didn't taste bad, but he didn't consider the limited combination jam up.

The bachelor Governor of Kansas, who by the way is a right good looking fellow for a Kansas man, has written to all of the 1,000, more or less, women who were willing to become his Governess. He was afraid if he took one he might have trouble in making a satisfactory explanation with the other 999, or thereabouts.

They have added to the catalogue of bacteria one kind that feeds on glass and another on the hardest cement. Some time ago they discovered one that feeds on steel rails, from which it may be inferred that they are not particular as to what they eat and that their digestive capacity as pretty good.

Three unsophisticated Alaska Indians have just been locked up in the Seattle penitentiary just because they tied a "witch" man to a tree to cure him of witchery and let him starve to death. If they had lived a couple hundred years ago in New England they might have fared better.

CANCELLED THE ENGAGEMENT

Mlle. DeLussan, Celebrated Grand Opera Singer, Wouldn't Appear to Small Audience Last Night.

The engagement in this city last night of M'lle DeLussan, the celebrated grand opera soprano, was cancelled yesterday afternoon, the advance sale of seats having indicated such a small audience that M'lle DeLussan positively refused to appear.

Although the press notices furnished by the management indicated a much larger sale of seats, inquiry developed last night that only twelve reservations had been made and 28 of these were complimentary. Of the 99 paid seats, 25 were at $1.50 and the remaining number were at $1, making the total box office receipts, $111.50. Great artists are not obtainable at such figures, hence M'lle Zelie DeLussan was not heard, much to the disappointment of those few who had contemplated attending the concert.

M'lle DeLussan arrived from Charleston yesterday afternoon with seven persons in her party. They are guests at The Orton, and will leave this afternoon for Augusta, Ga. The local management loses only local expenses as the guarantee was that M'lle DeLussan was to receive the first $400 receipts. The cancellation of the date is greatly regretted by all interested.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Steamer *Europa*, hence for Manchester, arrived out yesterday.

— Schooner *John R. Fell* cleared yesterday for New York with cargo of lumber, consigned by the Cape Fear Lumber Company.

— Friends yesterday learned with sorrow of the death of Mr. D. P. Bland, a well known citizen of Keith, N. C. He died Friday afternoon.

— Eyota Tribe of Red Men will adopt eight pale faces Monday night and serve refreshments in honor of the embryo warriors. All Red Men in the city are invited.

— Lucy Ledbetter, colored, was arrested by Policeman H. W. Howell yesterday on a charge of having assaulted Annie Allen, colored, with a stick of wood. She will be tried in the Mayor's court Monday.

— Miss Molly Pace, aged 62 years, died yesterday at the Baptist Home, 715 Wooster street. The funeral was conducted by Dr. Blackwell yesterday afternoon, and interment was in the Baptist lot in Bellevue cemetery.

— Miss Virginia Craig, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Craig, of Masonboro, will be married to-night at 8 o'clock to Mr. John F. Holt, also of Masonboro. The ceremony will be performed in Bethany Methodist church.

— The Fire Department responded to an alarm, box 54, at 10:30 A. M. yesterday. About $5 damages resulted from a fire caused by sparks from the chimney of a small house belonging to Mr. Sol. Bear, at No. 9 North Eleventh street.

— Reuben Beckom, the little one-year-old son of Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Beckom, 1112 South Front street, died Friday night. The funeral will be conducted this morning and the remains interred in the Giles burying ground on Wrightsville Sound.

— The steamer *Hurt* arrived yesterday from Fayetteville—a day late. She left for the return trip last night. The *Johnson*, which has just been inspected by the government officers, cleared yesterday morning for points on Black river.

— Two seamen from the Revenue Cutter *Tuscarora*, Peter Veal and Rudolf Sneider, engaged in a bloody fisticuff on Front, between Market and Dock streets, early last night. They were arrested by Police Sergeant C. S. Burnett and Special Officer J. G. Swann, who took them to the police station for trial Monday.

Change in S. A. L. Schedule.

Effective to-day a new schedule goes into effect on the Seaboard Air Line. Train 29, which formerly left Wilmington at 3:30 P. M. for Charlotte, will leave hereafter at 4:30 P. M. for Hamlet, reaching that point at 8:40 P. M. instead of 7:35 P. M. as before. The arriving time of the train due here at 12:30 P. M., remains the same. Close connections are made at Hamlet as before for all points on the company's line.

Assaulted Market Clerk.

Tom Arrington, a drunken negro whom Capt. T. H. Johnson, clerk of Front street market, told to move on yesterday, turned upon the officer and assaulted him with a picket from an iron fence. Capt. Johnson arrested the negro and landed him in the station house for trial Monday.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Colored Man—Wife wanted.
T. W. Wood & Sons—Seeds.
J. H. Rehder & Co—Sweaters.
People's Savings Bank—Notice.
Geo. R. R. French & Sons—$.800.
A. D. Brown—Ladies' underwear.
Solomon's Shoe Store—Fine shoes.
Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co.—Library lamps.
Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co.—Luxurious necessity.

BUSINESS LOCALS

Wanted—Reliable workers.
Social Club—Masquerade ball.
All-round Man—Position wanted.
Lost—Pocketbook containing money

One more week for special prices on Carpets at Polvogt's. †

BOARD OF JUSTICES.

Meeting Yesterday of New Hanover County Magistrates in the Court House.

MAJ. ROBERTSON ELECTED.

He Will Succeed Mr. F. A. Montgomery as Commissioner—Increase of Appropriation for James Walker Hospital Endorsed.

Maj. W. F. Robertson, of this city, was elected unanimously and by acclamation as a member of the Board of County Commissioners of New Hanover to succeed Mr. F. A. Montgomery, resigned, at a special called meeting of the magistrates of the county, held at noon yesterday in the Court House. No other names were brought before the meeting and Maj. Robertson has already expressed his willingness to serve.

Forty-five out of seventy-nine magistrates, composing the Board of Justices of New Hanover, were present at the meeting. Chairman D. McEachern, of the Board of Commissioners, called the assembly to order and Mr. C. W. Worth was made permanent chairman. Deputy Register of Deeds John McLaurin was, ex officio, secretary of the meeting. Chairman McEachern, of the Board of Commissioners, stated the object for which the magistrates were called together and Mr. W. H. Yopp placed Maj. Robertson in nomination to succeed Mr. Montgomery, who lately resigned to move his residence and to engage in business at Point Caswell, N. C. Messrs. R. C. Cantwell, T. D. Meares, D. J. Fergus and others made enthusiastic seconding speeches and upon motion of Justice J. M. McGowan, nominations were closed and Maj. Robertson was chosen by acclamation.

The Commissioner-elect is too well known in the city and county to need commendation here. He has executive ability, progressiveness and a knowledge of general affairs that admirably equip him for the duties of the position to which he has been called, without solicitation on his part. He is in perfect accord with the present administration and will be a valuable acquisition for the Board.

The matter of an increased appropriation for the James Walker Memorial Hospital was brought to the attention of the Magistrates, just before adjournment, by Mr. R. C. Cantwell, who favored highly placing a larger amount at the disposal of the Board of Managers for the proper maintenance of the institution. There was a general discussion of the question, which developed a strong sentiment in favor of an increased sum, Mr. F. H. Fechtig and others taking part. It was finally agreed, upon motion of Mr. T. D. Meares, to adopt the following:

"*Resolved*, That the Board of Magistrates express approval of a larger appropriation for the James Walker Memorial Hospital and instruct the County Commissioners to take the necessary legal steps to have the Legislature authorize an increased appropriation for the maintenance of that institution."

Memorial Services To-day.

Services commemorative of Rev. Karl Boldt, the former beloved pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church, will be held at the church this morning at 11 o'clock. Addresses in both the German and English languages will be delivered by Rev. Dr. A. G. Voigt. By his faithful labors in this city Rev. K. Boldt endeared himself to many people, and now his memory will be an abiding inspiration to them. His death occurred at Charleston, S. C., on Friday. Many mourners in this city will join with the many more in Charleston in sorrowing over the early death of the beloved pastor. It is a fitting thing that commemorative service will be held here, where he has established a monument for himself by his faithful labors.

Passing of Slot Machines.

As predicted in the Star yesterday, the effect of Judge Peebles' order that any of the defendants in the slot machine cases, who continued the devices in operation in the city and were afterwards convicted, he would consider their action a defiance of the law and would punish them accordingly, had the effect to stop practically all of them and no more will the music from their gilded sides be heard in the land. The machines were boxed and shipped elsewhere—to points unknown. As a result of the "cessation of hostilities" by the machines, the city will lose a revenue of $10 per month on each and the State and county will lose $10 per year on each.

Recruits for the Roads.

Six convicts will go to the roads Monday as a result of last week's term of the Superior Court. The sentence of Galloway Williams, the negro who stole Mr. B. O. Moore's buggy and horse, will go out for five years instead of to the penitentiary, as at first sentenced. The other five are: George Newberry, assault with deadly weapon, thirty days; Esau Caplas, larceny of bicycle, one year; James Floyd, larceny, one year; Balaam Johnson, assault with deadly weapon, three months; George Stone, larceny, four months.

I have purchased the photographic business, conducted heretofore by Mr. Paul M. Taylor, and with it the entire stock, instruments, negatives, etc. The studio is now open for sittings and only the highest grade of work will be made. Duplicate photos can be had at any time from negatives taken by Mr. Taylor. C. E. Vale, 104 Princess St., successor to P. M. Taylor. †

THE UNITED CHARITIES.

Annual Report of Worthy Colored Organization, Showing Receipts and Disbursements During the Year.

The annual report of the United Charities Association (colored), for the year ended Jan. 1st, 1903, has just been made public by General Manager Jno. Whiteman, Secretary C. E. Davis and Rev. J. Adams, the president. The collections during the year amounted to $2,014.15, of which the county contributed $1,800; cash contributions, $188.50; dues, $7; churches, $18.65. The disbursements were $2,138.33 as follows: For groceries and wood, $1,863.83; secretary's salary, $180, and rents, transportation and burial $94.50. From date of organization of the United Charities, Dec. 31st, 1894, to Dec. 31st, 1902, the amount expended for the colored poor of the city has been $16,787.25; so that it is seen what a magnificent work the organization is doing.

The numbers of orders filled during 1901 were as follows: Groceries 1,141, wood 969, shoes and clothing 39, house rents 47, sent to Hospital 5, to County Home 2. Deaths during year 20.

The Association is grateful for the substantial support of the business men of the city and friends in general and the press, which has always published its reports, notices, etc., free of charge. Donations other than that of $1,800 by the county were made during the year as follows,

"Cash" $20, The Worth Co., Hugh MacRae, the Elks, Alexander Sprunt & Son, and Bishop A. A. Watson, $10 each; J. C. Stevenson, W. M. Cumming, J. H. Rehder, A. M. Waddell, D. McEachern, J. H. Watters, Chadbourn Lumber Co., W. L. Farley, J. A. Taylor, M. S. Willard, Cressy Bros. Jacobi H'd'w. Co., and "Cash" $5 00 each; W. B. Cooper, $3 00; Preston Cumming, $2.50; M. J. Corbett, A. B. Skelding, Jno. S. McEachern sons, J. Well, A. D. Brown, Wm. Calder, P. Pearsall, J. G. L. Gieschen, R. F. Hamme, J. F. Post, S. P. Cowan Livery Co., Walker Taylor, E. S. Martin, P. L. Bridgers and two "Cash" contributors, $2.00 each; "Cash," $1.75; "Cash," $1.75; "Cash," $1.50; T. D. Love, J. W. Atkinson, S. Behrends, Thos. H. Wright, M. O'Brien, Jno. Van B. Metts, C. W. Yates, Iredell Meares, Dr. D. W. Bullock, and "Cash" $1.00; "Cash," 75c; H. M. Foard, 50c; "Cash," 50c; F. W. Ortmann, 50c; Franklin Howard, 25c. Churches: St. Stephens, $7.81; First Baptist, $1.14; St. Luke's, $5.00 Central Baptist, $3 00; Shiloh Baptist, $1.00; Annual dues, $7.00.

Contributions in kind: C. C. Covington, James I. Metts, Vollers & Hashagen, 1 bbl. flour each, Hall & Pearsall, 1 bbl. mullets; J. Sternberger, F. H. Krahnke, clothing; Armour Packing Co., Jno. R. Turrentine Co., meats; Boney & Harper, grits; I. L. Greenewald, shoes; C. W. Polvogt, Taylor's Bazaar and S. & B. Solomon, dry goods; D. L. Gore and Sternberger Bros., groceries; J. Hicks Bunting, medicines; Geo. Honnet, Geo. Huggins, Victor E. Zoeller and J. T. Burke, jewelry.

MANY REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Deeds Filed for Record Yesterday at Court House—Land in the Country.

By deeds filed for record yesterday at the Court House Jesse S. Williams and wife, of Masonboro township, transferred to James P. Herring, of Masonboro township, tract of land in Masonboro, containing by estimation 95 acres, consideration $1,500, and Charles Schulken and wife transferred to Henry F. Otten, lot at northeast corner of Fourth and Nixon streets, 99x150 feet in size, consideration $1. Also Jno. Blanton and wife and Jno. Petit and wife, of Harnett township, transferred to Chas. Waiters, tract of land on Middle Sound, adjoining the lands of L. R. Mason and others, consideration $100. Also, Mrs. Fannie A. Johnson transferred to Miss Mary E. Cook and Miss Katie E. Johnson, residence and lot at southeast corner of Sixth and Walnut streets, 66x130 feet in size, consideration $3,000. Also contract from Geo. Harriss, et. al., to A. J. Marshall to convey 125 acres of land on west prong of Bradley's creek, adjoining lands of Stephen Sneeden, George R. French and others. Also John A. Ricks and wife, of Greenville, N. C., to A. J. Marshall, Esq., contract to convey 1-28 interest in about 10,000 acres of land situate in different portions of New Hanover county. Also D. C. McKeithan transfers by deed to George Harriss, 3 acres of land on Bradley's creek, adjoining lands of Wm. Rogers and others, consideration $350. Also George Harriss and wife transferred to E. N. Edens and wife, the above tract transferred by D. C. McKeithan, consideration $400. Also George Harriss and wife transferred to D. C. McKeithan, three acres of land on Bradley's creek, consideration $350.

"Anti-German League."

The "Anti-German League," a social organization, was formed in the city Friday night by a number of prominent young society men who do not belong to other social clubs in the city. Mr. Geo. P. James was elected president; Mr. Charles Elliott, vice president; Mr. George Davis, secretary and treasurer, and Messrs. Geo. P. James, Charles Elliott, Geo. Davis, H. Lacy Hunt and J. C. Angel, executive committeemen.

A Fire Near Rosebore, N. C.

Rosebro, N. C., Jan. 10.—The school building at Andrew's High School, about three miles east of here, was destroyed by fire this morning about 3 o'clock. Loss about $800. Origin of the fire is unknown.

$1.50 warranted Taffetta Silk $1.20; Wash Silks 49c; Japanese Silks 48c, this week at Polvogt's, their clearance sale week. †

See the new Spring Embroideries at Polvogt's. Best selected assortment in the city. †

REVENUE CUTTER TUSCARORA

Arrived Yesterday from Baltimore to Take Up Her Station at This Port—A Rough Voyage Down.

The United States Revenue Cutter *Tuscarora*, in command of Capt. David A. Hall, arrived in port yesterday and is tied up at the Custom House wharf. She is an exceedingly handsome ship, and was cordially saluted as she steamed into the harbor at noon.

The *Tuscarora* has been assigned to duty at this station to take the place of the *Algonquin*, which lately was ordered to Porto Rico. She is fashioned after the *Algonquin* in many respects, and is brand new, having been launched last Spring at the Trigg shipyards in Richmond, and commissioned by the government Dec. 20th. In the interim she was being fitted with machinery at Baltimore. The captain's cabin and the wardrobe are below deck. Men's quarters are below deck, forward. The vessel is 630 tons register; length over all, 178 feet; beam, 30 feet; draught, 9 feet. She carries one 6-pound Hotchkiss gun; has triple expansion engines and makes 12 knots. The ship cost $175,000 and is designed for service on the Lakes. It is believed that she is stationed here only temporarily.

The ship left Baltimore a week ago and her passage down was extremely rough. She encountered a succession of gales and one time was blown from Lookout back past Hatteras. The initial trip was a splendid test of the boat and the officers are charmed with the way she behaved.

The *Tuscarora* has a complement of 55 men. The commissioned officers are: Capt. Hall, commanding; First Lieutenant W. V. E. Jacobs, executive officer; Second Lieutenant W. E. W. Hall, navigator; Second Lieutenant, Wm. A. O'Malley, junior watch officer; Chief Engineer Fred E. Owen; Assistant Engineer, Bryan A. Minor. Chief Petty Officers: Boatswain A. D. Totzke, Gunner Edwards, Chief Oiler Oelsen and Carpenter C. A. Backstrom.

Chief Engineer Owen, one of the cleverest of the staff of officers, was formerly aboard the *Algonquin*, and with Capt. Hall and his other men, are cordially welcomed to the city.

"THE VILLAGE POSTMASTER."

Some of the Scenes That Make Up Magnificent Production Wednesday Night.

The sale of seats for the magnificent production of "The Village Postmaster" to be given at the Academy Wednesday night, will open at Plummer's Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock, and indications are that there will be a rush. There will be no advance in prices, save that all seats downstairs will be $1.

The critics of New York were most lavish in their praise of the play during its long run there. The *Herald* said of it: "New York has never seen a better drama of rural life than 'The Village Postmaster.' The play carries with it the smell of newmown hay, apple blossoms and pure country air."

A pretty story runs through "The Village Postmaster," which turns to love with the ultimate happy ending, of course. It illustrates noted types and characters that abounded in New England at the period from which the scenes were taken and there is a wholesomeness about it that sends the audience home with a better opinion of mankind in general.

The scenes are the General Store, the Village Green with a country dance on Training Day, ending with a realistic shower of rain; the Minister's Donation Party; a realistic farm scene, with an old-fashioned threshing machine at work, and a village church where great preparations are being made for the night wedding of the Postmaster's daughter.

The same big production will be given here as given in New York and Chicago, as the company carries all the special scenery and properties required.

Chase After Shoe Thief.

An exciting chase after a daring negro thief, named Will Richardson, took place about 10 o'clock last night on Princess, between Water and Second streets. Richardson went into the store of Frank Haffner, Water street, between Princess and Market, and tried on a pair of shoes. Before lacing them up he made a dash for the door and Sam Siegler, Jr., a clerk in the store, immediately gave chase, raising the outcry, "Stop thief!" The negro ran up Princess and was caught near Second street, but he managed to wrest away from his captor and made another dash down Princess street. At the street car junction Conductor "Billie" Jones, of the C. R., L. & P. Co., laid hands on the fugitive and turned him over to Policeman Frank George.

Masquerade and Civic Ball.

The second annual masquerade and civic ball by the Merry Companion Social Club will take place Wednesday evening, Jan. 28th, in Germania Hall. Tickets, admitting a lady and gentleman, are being sold at $1. The committee of arrangements is composed of Messrs. Henry Habernicht, Wm. Hoefner, D. B. Branch, Geo. Tienken. The club officers are Wm. Tienken, president; D. B. Branch, secretary; C. R. Spooner, vice president and Geo. Tienken, treasurer.

$10.00 hats now $5.00, $8.00 hats now $4.00, $6.00 hats now $3.00, this week at Polvogt's. †

Visit Polvogt's this week—Millinery half price, Carpets special price, Blankets reduced prices. †

For Asthma use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by J. C. Shepard.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The House and Senate Were in Session Less Than an Hour Yesterday.

NO IMPORTANT MEASURES.

Secretary of State Authorized to Employ Clerical Assistants—Division of the School Funds—Large Number of Local Bills Introduced.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 10.—Neither branch of the General Assembly was in session to-day longer than an hour.

Notable bills passed by the Senate were a House bill authorizing the Secretary of State, to appoint an assistant to index the laws, the cost to be not over $500. The House resolution to investigate the number of Assembly employes. Senate resolution for the appointment of a joint committee to prepare a bill for the establishment of a code commission.

Much time was consumed in the discussion of a bill, authorizing the Secretary of State to employ an enrolling clerk at $300 and mileage, and to pay copyists ten cents per sheet. It finally passed without amendment.

Notable bills introduced: By Hoey, to wind up partnerships in estates; Gilliam, to amend Section 1239 of the code; Pollock, to increase the number of commissioners of Lenoir county and to change Lenoir Superior Court; Burton, to give superior courts equitable jurisdiction of contingent remainders in the distribution of lands.

Bills of interest passed in the House were as follows: To increase the number of commissioners of Rockingham county; to amend chapter 410, of the laws of 1891, by striking out Scotland county.

Bills were introduced as follows: By Smith, to define meaning of the law in division of school fund per capita, so that school terms for the races be the same length (the bill is no change from present practice); by Guion, to remove disabilities of married women in making contracts and to allow damages for mental anguish; by Creyer, to incorporate the Winston-Stewart Turnpike Co.

A large number of local bills were introduced.

McNeill introduced a petition against extending the stock law in Scotland county.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 10.—A charter was granted to-day to the North State Piano Co., Washington, N. C., capital $100,000. The incorporators are J. T. Buckman, E. T. Stewart, L. R. Mayo, A. E. Hodges and Stephen C. Bragaw.

A bill introduced in the Senate yesterday by Henderson will probably meet with very general endorsement. It provides that deputy clerks of County Superior courts shall have authority to represent the clerks in all matters. If enacted into law, as it will probably be, it will prove a great convenience both to clerks and the public.

The senatorial fight seems still to be a considerable enigma. The gain of from 43 to 50 votes by Overman in last night's caucus, gives a decidedly more confident air to the friends of Overman, many of whom claim that on the "home run" he will get the eight votes now being cast for Alexander. Many of the most experienced politicians who are on to forces at work in the fight talk of Gen. Carr as the probable nominee. He really lost two votes during the caucus balloting last night, but this is not regarded as any bad indication. He will get a large following from Overman men in case of a deadlock as to Overman. Friends of Craig and Watson are working with confidence and really it it is impossible for the best political prognosticators to form any idea of the ultimate outcome.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. Ed. Brown returned to the University yesterday.

— Miss Maud Harris, of Danville, N. Y., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Graham Farmer.

— Miss Nelle Bernard, of Durham, is visiting her friend, Mrs. S. W. Sanders, of Wilmington.

— Mr. Harry Webb has returned from Beaufort, N. C., and resumed his work with the Western Union.

— Associate Justice Platt D. Walker, of Charlotte, it in the city on a brief visit, the guest of his nephew, Mr. N. N. Davis.

— Rev. Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell leaves to-morrow morning to visit his father at the old homestead, near Roanoke, Va., and to meet an elder brother there whom he hasn't seen in twenty years.

— Mr. B. F. Keith, the celebrated theatrical manager of the North, accompanied by his wife, stopped over in the city from Boston from his trip South and is visiting Collector B. F. Keith, of this city. The similarity of the names gave the gentlemen an acquaintance with each other, which has grown into a strong friendship.

CLOSE OF THE POULTRY SHOW.

Not So Largely Attended During Week, But a Success Nevertheless.

The Poultry show came to a close a 11 o'clock last night, having been continued a day longer than originally intended, because of the unfavorable weather earlier in the week. The attendance was by no means as large as the exhibition merited and will probably not reach the figures of last year.

The show is said by experts to have been one of the very best ever given in the State and the management is to be congratulated upon the success of it, even though it was apparently not appreciated by the public to the extent it should have been. The number of exhibits was about five hundred and the excellency of them is doubted by no one who went to the City Hall and saw all that there was for the delight of the fancier.

It is to be hoped that next year the Poultry Show week will be accompanied by fair weather and thousands of people. The Association which gave the show certainly deserves such treatment.

A TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENT.

Three Steamboat Companies on the Cape Fear Will Be Operated Conjointly. Mr. Love Agent at Wilmington.

The splendid new steamer *City of Fayetteville*, of the Fayetteville and Wilmington Steamboat Company, will go into commission on the Cape Fear river this week and will provide an all-water route between Fayetteville and New York, Boston, Providence and Philadelphia, in connection with the Clyde Steamship Company at Wilmington. When the new boat enters the freight and passenger service on the Cape Fear it will mark a new era in shipping upon the waters of that historic stream. The new steamer is now being furnished at Fayetteville and will make her initial trip, most probably the last of this week.

"THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE."

In connection with what is said above, the following from yesterday afternoon's Fayetteville *Observer* will be read with interest:

"The three steamboats lines that ply the Cape Fear between Fayetteville and Wilmington, to-wit: The Cape Fear and Peoples' Company, of which Col. W. S. Cook is general manager, which owns the *Hurt* and *Hawes*; the Merchants and Farmers' Steamboat Company, of which Mr. Oliver Evans is president, which owns the *Highlander* and *Driver*, and the Fayetteville and Wilmington Steamboat Company, which owns the *City of Fayetteville*, of which Mr. A. A. Lisman is president and Mr. E. W. Cooke general manager, have formed a traffic arrangement, and Col. W. S. Cook has been made the agent at Fayetteville, and Mr. T. D. Love the agent at Wilmington for the three lines.

"There was a meeting yesterday of the stockholders of the Fayetteville and Wilmington Steamboat Company, at which the following stockholders were present: Messrs. H. W. Lilly, W. L. Holt, W. M. Morgan, R. P. Gray, A. A. Lisman, S. H. MacRae, L. A. Williamson, E. H. Williamson and E. W. Cooke.

"The meeting was for the purpose of reviewing the financial condition of the company, and to take preliminary steps for the operation of the line, pending the annual meeting of stockholders in February.

"Under the new arrangements all the boats of the several lines will use the splendid new wharf of the Fayetteville and Wilmington Steamboat Company."

Muslin Underwear for ladies, now on display at Polvogt's. See window display. †

All trimmed Millinery at half price this week at Polvogt's. †

Clearance sale now on at Polvogt's. †

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Annual Meeting.

Of the lot owners of Oakdale Cemetery Company will be held at the company's office, 25½ Princess street, on Monday evening, January the 12th, at 8 o'clock.

RICHARD J. JONES, Secretary and Treasurer.
January 7th, 1903. Jan 10 2t

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A colored man, a native of Wilmington, and a well-to-do farmer, wishes to correspond with an honest and affectionate lady with a view to matrimony. No dreamer or flirt need apply. She must be a mulatto of good form and in the best of health; have long hair; good education; good cook and housekeeper and up-to date. Height, five feet seven to five feet ten inches; weight, 131 to 175 pounds; age twenty to thirty. Country lady may write as I will answer all letters and will exchange photographs. The right one will have the pleasure of meeting me in person in the near future. Write and you will receive an answer. Address,

Lock Box 443, Ansonia, Connecticut.
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ATLANTIC COAST LINE R. R. CO.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 30th, 1902.

The Board of Directors of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company have declared a dividend of two and one-half per cent. on the common capital stock of that company. Dividend due and payable at the office of the Treasurer, at Wilmington, N. C., on and after January 10th, 1903. The transfer books will stand closed from December 31st, 1902, to January 10th, 1903.

JAMES F. POST, Treasurer.
dec 31 till Jan. 10.

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Finest Seeded Raisins and Currants.
Freshest Nuts of all kinds, shelled and in the shell.
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Heat the bath room—and the water for your bath—with GAS. It's cheapest and quickest.

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Begin the New Year

AND CHEW

"Showdown" Tobacco.
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This brand has quality and is a good seller—handle it and increase your business. We handle all brands well known on the market and are headquarters for Tobaccos and Cigars. None better than

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Renown, Renown.
Topical Twist Head.

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Distributors for brands of American and Continental Tobacco Co. jan 4 tf

J. W Murchison & Co.,

Wholesale and Retail Dealer in

HARDWARE,

No. 109 and 111 North Front St., Wilmington, N. C.

Hardware of every description at the very closest prices. We buy in car load lots and can sell cheaper than those who buy in smaller quantities.

Complete line of Agricultural Implements and Mechanics' Tools. We can sell you from a Tack Hammer to a Steam Engine, and from a Plow Point to the latest Improved Farming Machinery.

Fine stock of Cutlery, Guns, Pistols and Sporting Goods. Loaded Shells with Black or Smokeless Powder, Hunting Suits, Game Bags, etc.

Cooking Stoves and Steel Ranges from the largest to the smallest in size as well as price. Tinware, Agate Ware and Wooden Ware. Buckets for the well and domestic purposes. Plows, Harrows, Sweeps, Hoes, Shovels and Spades at prices to suit the farmer. Knives and Forks, Cutlery, etc. Cart Axles, Boxes, Collars and Hames, Trace Chains, Back-bands and everything used on a well regulated farm.
jan 2 tf

Carolina Insurance Co.

The annual meeting of the stockholders will be held at the Company's building on Tuesday, January 20th, 1903, at 12 o'clock noon.

The Board of Directors have today declared a dividend of 3 per cent. payable to stockholders of record on this date.

M. S. WILLARD, Secretary.

RESULT OF BUSINESS IN 1902.

Increase in assets	$ 4 484 66
" " premium receipts	6,601 97
" " re-insurance reserve	3,24 1 58
" " net surplus	421 49
Dividends paid during year	3,303 70
" " since organization	33,173 00

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The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING JAN 11.

MAKING TROUBLE FOR HIMSELF.

We have been noting with some interest the expressions of opinion of leading Northern papers on the course the President has pursued in the Indianola postoffice matter and in the appointment of Dr. Crum as Collector of Customs at Charleston. The partisan papers which from force of habit, if nothing else, endorse every thing the President does, approve both, and remark, as does the Philadelphia *Press*, that it is proof that he intends to treat black and white alike. The non-partisan papers, some of which were admirers of Mr. Roosevelt, pronounce both unfortunate blunders, and some of them seem to be unable to understand why he should have blundered so when he could have so easily avoided it and benefited both his party and himself by doing so. The New York *Herald*, the New York *Times* and the Philadelphia *Ledger*, all independent, non-partisan papers, and friendly to the President are strong in their condemnation, and regret that by his action, when the contrary should have been his desire, he is keeping up and giving fresh impetus to the race question whether he intended it or not. It does not seem to have occurred to them that he was playing Minnie Cox and Dr. Crum for politics, although if they had they would doubtless have pronounced it bad politics, the politics of an amateur. But this is the view that a good many take of it. In the Baltimore *Sun* a few days ago there was a letter from its Washington correspondent, writing of the Indianola post office case, which discusses views as to political motives. It says:

Political experts are discussing with curious and lively interest the motives underlying the action of President Roosevelt in the matter of the negro woman in charge of the postoffice at an obscure country town in Mississippi. According to the authorized version given out at the White House, Mr. Roosevelt and his Cabinet spent several hours over the discussion of the apparently insignificant case, and then two or three hours more were required to prepare a statement to be given out for publication.

So the question of whether a negro woman shall hand out letters to a rural population of some 600 souls occupies the President of the United States and his entire Cabinet for a longer consecutive period than has any one of the great subjects, national or international, including the Venezuelan affair, with all the possible momentous consequences devolving on its settlement, which have been brought to the attention of the Administration since Mr. Roosevelt's accession. Furthermore, this insignificant affair is considered of so much consequence as to warrant the issue of a formal state paper.

It is no wonder political circles are unusually agitated. Of course, the spontaneous impression is that personal and political ambitions are at the bottom, but wise heads are shaking in the prospect that after all this solemn deliberation and determination the President is weaving a tangle from which it will be difficult to extricate himself. You may be inclined to doubt it, but the naked truth is Mr. Roosevelt has gone stark, staring Presidency mad. He thinks of it by day and he dreams of it by night. Every move he makes, every appointment, every line of policy, big or little, is bound up in his absorbing desire to obtain his party nomination in 1904. Passionate, impetuous, self-willed as he is, this has caused him already to commit errors so grave as would scarcely have been essayed by one of ordinary political acumen and sagacity.

The fact is, Theodore Roosevelt never was and never can be a scientific politician. His whole nature is against it. This is what has made him the creature and the plaything of the master politicians of his party, and which, no matter how strong or popular he may be at large when 1904 rolls around, will place his destinies absolutely in their hands. Most certainly he is not this day anything like so strong with influential Republicans in the Senate and the House as he was when he first came into office. He promises to-day and undoes to morrow.

Mr. Roosevelt gets credit for clever management of some perplexing questions, such as the trust question, which he has forced his party to take cognizance of; the anthracite coal strike, which he was instrumental in bringing to an end; the prosecution of the Beef Trust, all of which helped him and his party; and of the Venezuelan question. But in all of these he had the counsel and co-operation of older and more experienced heads than his own. Whether he had the counsel of older and more experienced heads in the Minnie Cox and Dr. Crum cases is doubtful. In this Postmaster General Payne and General Clarkson may have been his Mentors. Speaking of the motive the correspondent says:

Naturally everyone says the President hopes by his action in the case of the Mississippi negress to secure a hold upon the negro delegates from the South in the Republican convention. With the possible exception of Gen. Grant, every Republican President nominated since 1880 has been under vital obligations to the negro delegates. There is most likely to be a similar condition in the next convention. Whether Mr. Roosevelt's action will be material depends largely upon whether some other candidate will apply the golden arguments which have always been more effective with the negro delegates than any and all other appeals. At any rate, this is his desire and this is his hope. Inspired by this, he has taken ex parte action, for there is nothing in the contents of the paper which he has issued to show there may not be good and valid reasons for objections to the negress. It seems peculiar that race prejudice should be responsible when the woman has already, without threats or remonstrance, served the people as postmaster for six years. It is anticipated that the Mississippi Congressmen may throw the light on the subject which is absent from the White House announcements. However, for reasons to be presently given, the Southern members of Congress are rather averse at this time to opening up the negro question in any general aspect.

In but few States of the South has the Republican party now any organization of importance. In most instances the delegates to the Republican national convention are selected in a happy-go lucky sort of way, the negroes, in consequence of their numbers, claiming and securing a considerable proportion. In North Carolina it happens to be different. In that State there is an effective party organization, and it happens to be in control of Senator Pritchard. Senator Pritchard, as the country knows very well, although a Southern Republican, is not only opposed to negroes holding office, but to their taking any active part in politics. He has been for some time engaged in the work of building up a white Republican party in North Carolina. Mr. Roosevelt has given out intimations of opposition to this, but he has not as yet arrayed himself formally against it. What will he do in the appointments to offices? Will he follow Mr. Pritchard's advice or to the contrary? This is what the politicians are waiting for. Will he blow hot in Mississippi and cold in North Carolina? Unless he does the chances are 10 to 1 he will not get the North Carolina delegation. There's the rub for him.

He has passed the point where he tries to maintain consistency for while he turned down the leading "Lily White" in Alabama he angles with Senator Pritchard, and dallies with the Vick case in Wilson, and flies in the face of white sentiment in South Carolina, regardless of politics, by appointing a negro collector of customs in Charleston. It is a very inconsistent, complex game that he is playing and one that he will find it very difficult to play to the end successfully, for there are men in his own party who profess to be friendly to him and to desire his nomination next year who are watching and ready to take advantage of any blunder he may make to defeat him for the nomination.

He said in his letter called out by the opposition to Crum that color should be no bar to appointment to office if there were no other objection, and apparently acting on this declaration he appointed Crum. How easy it would be for some shrewd manipulator who wanted to embarrass him to get some bumptious negro in New York, for instance, to apply for some federal office in that city and thus put the color declaration to the test? With the Lily Whites, and the Lampblacks, and the effort to play in with both, Mr. Roosevelt has been, perhaps unconsciously, concocting a good deal of bother for himself, which he may realize later on.

WHAT DINGLEY SAID.

In the discussion of Senator Vest's resolution on free coal, Thursday, Senator Hale said he didn't believe that Mr. Dingley ever said that some of the duties were expressly made higher than necessary for the protection of those whom they were intended to protect, so that in negotiating reciprocity or other treaties we could make concessions that would appear liberal without depriving our manufacturers of any protection they needed. That was a sort of Yankee trick. In reply to Senator Hale's statement that he didn't believe it, the testimony was produced of the Philadelphia *Bulletin*, which quotes Mr. Dingley with speaking thus in conversation with the editor:

We are purposely making them too high, because we want them as a basis which will enable us to offer foreign countries material inducements to enter into reciprocal relations with us. When other nations seek closer commercial relations with the United States we can largely reduce duties in many directions in return for the entrance of American products into their markets without depriving our own industries of the protection they really need."

The *Bulletin* is not a Democratic paper, but a Republican paper, of the independent order. It is not an anti-tariff paper, but a believer in reasonable protection, and when that paper published this statement it had no intention of misrepresenting Mr. Dingley.

But this statement attributed to Mr. Dingley was freely cited when the question came up as to how anthracite coal, which was generally supposed to be on the free list, got on the dutiable list, and some of the Senators were giving the public their version of it. That was last Summer, but no friend of Mr. Dingley ever arose to dispute it, or to say that he didn't believe it, or that it was a reflection upon the sincerity of a man who is dead and can't speak for himself. It is no reflection upon his sincerity at all, it simply shows that he was putting up a shrewd job which would enable this country to drive a better bargain with other countries when it came to dickering on treaties.

Whether Mr. Dingley did or did not say what is attributed to him, it is not generally admitted that many of the duties are higher than necessary for protection purposes, and that some of them are not necessary at all for protection purposes? Even many of the protectionists admit this, and yet they shrink from touching the Dingley tariff, which Senator Vest aptly characterizes as the "sacred elephant."

Attorney General Knox continues to deliver knocks at the trusts, but they are mild knocks, and not of the knock-out kind.

For LaGrippe and Influenza use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by J. C. Shepard.

WHY NOT?

Apropos to the nomination of the negro Crum as Collector of Customs at Charleston the Washington *Post*, an independent paper, makes the following pertinent inquiry:

If the President feels called upon to appoint the negro, Crum, as collector at Charleston, S. C., why is he not as urgently called upon to appoint a negro as collector at Philadelphia? There are more negro voters in Philadelphia than in Charleston. Moreover, the negroes in the former city are infinitely more substantial, cultivated, and responsible. They represent a much higher civilization and maintain a far better standard of citizenship.

Of course he would never for a moment entertain the thought of appointing a negro to any such office in Philadelphia or any other Northern city, although he says there should be no discrimination in these matters on account of color. But his practice contradicts his utterances because he does discriminate, the only difference being that his discrimination is governed by geographical lines and location.

If the otherwise unobjectionable negro is eligible to office in a Southern city, why not in a Northern city, where the negroes are more of a political factor than they are in Southern cities, and where the Republican party is much more in debt to them for the support they give it? They help the party not only in some of the Northern cities but in some of the Northern States to hold power, but when it comes to recognition in the way of distributing the offices in the gift of appointing powers, they are invariably ignored and counted as ciphers.

This thing has been the practice so long that even the negroes themselves, who hold frequent meetings to denounce discrimination in the South, seem to look upon it as a matter of course.

Roosevelt gives hearings to prominent negroes, talks nice to them, throws an occasional sop to some Southern negro, but turns the cold shoulder to the Northern negro, all the same. Thus it has been and thus it will be. On the discrimination question Roosevelt is a fraud.

We are indebted to the New York *World* for The *World* Almanac and Encyclopedia for 1903, an inestimably useful and valuable publication, giving a vast amount of information on numberless subjects, much of which cannot be found in any other publication of the kind. There are nearly 550 pages of compactly printed matter, every page of which presents something of value, and so conveniently arranged that it can be found at once. Single copies 25 cents, by mail 35. Address the Press Publishing Company, Pulitzer Building, New York.

Police Justice Donahue, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., fined a fellow citizen $10 for refusing to provide food for his wife, who had appealed to the court. The man said he didn't have $10 to pay the fine, when the J. P. ordered a couple of burly policemen to pick him up and invert him. Sixteen dollars in silver dropped out of his pockets. This was gathered up, handed to the J. P. who gave it to the woman, sent her home, remitted the husband's fine and sent him to jail for a week.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Is not the President rather hasty in deciding that Indianola, Miss., shall not have a postoffice? The beet sugar convention has not yet ruled on this matter.—*Louisville Courier Journal, Dem.*

—— Perhaps the most potent thing that Mr. Tillman can urge against Mr. Crum is the fact that the gentleman has a habit of declining to stand in Republican national conventions without being securely hitched.—*Washington Post, Ind.*

—— Regretful surprise is a mild term for the feeling aroused in the United States by President Roosevelt's nomination of a colored man to the post of Collector of the Port of Charleston. Even the sincerest admirers of the President cannot help regarding that appointment as an ill considered act, which will do more harm than good to the very people whom it is intended to benefit, namely, the negroes.—*New York Herald, Ind.*

—— Those who have been wont to believe that the day of oratory is passed, and that audiences no longer gather to be thrilled and swayed by the power of eloquent words and forceful diction, may have had their opinion reversed by the effect of the ringing speech delivered a few days ago in the Senate by the Hon. George Graham Vest. When the venerable Senator, feeble of limb, but still lithe and agile of mind, arose from his seat in the chamber and, reclining upon his staff for support, began his scathing rebuke to the dominant party, the Senate gave heed as it does not frequently do to an impromptu delivery.—*Washington Times, Ind.*

A Marvelous Invention.

Wonders never cease. A machine has been invented that will cut, paste and hang wall paper. The field of inventions and discoveries seem to be unlimited. Notable among great discoveries is Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. It has done a world of good for weak lungs and has saved many a life. Thousand have used it and conquered Grip, Bronchitis, Pneumonia and Consumption. Their general verdict is: "It's the best and most reliable medicine for Throat and Lung troubles." Every 50c and $1.00 bottle is guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Trial bottles free. †

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TOO LATE.

MARY RIDDELL CORLEY.

They came too late the fragrant, dewy blooms.
Nourished where sunshine beats the whole long day.
Life held no solace for her darkened hours
And fields were barren as she went her way.

Ah! take them back, the words so long unsaid,
The spoken love to starving heart denied;
Ye gave a stone where she asked for bread;
She held it in her empty hand and died.

The sweet pink roses lie upon her breast;
She passed through wastes whereon no pink bud grows;
She passed and sleeps—what matters all the rest?
She hath no need for any fairest rose.

Take them away and bear her softly forth
Where singing birds and tender glasses wait;
Holding your peace—your words are little worth—
For love and roses, all are come too late.

—*Boston Transcript.*

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Services at Seamen's Bethel this afternoon, commencing at 3 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Mr. Cole. Public invited.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd: Morning prayer, 11 A. M.; evening prayer, 7:30 P. M.; Sunday school, :30 P. M.

First Baptist church, Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, D. D., pastor; 11 A. M., "Annual Roll Call;" 7:30 P. M., "Loss of Loved Ones."

St. James church: Holy communion, 7:45 A. M.; morning prayer, 11 A. M.; Sunday school, 3:45 P. M.; evening prayer, 5 P. M.

St. John's church, corner of Third and Red Cross streets, Rev. J. Carmichael, D. D., pastor. Morning prayer and sermon at 11 o'clock. Sunday school at 3:30 P. M.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Murchison bank building on Chesnut street. Services this morning at 11 o'clock and at 8 P. M. Subject of Lesson Sermon, "Life." All are invited.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Rev. Dr. Dickinson rector: Morning services and sermon at 11 A. M. Sunday school at 3:30 P. M. Evening service and sermon at 7:45 P. M. Seats free, strangers cordially welcome.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Sixth and Market streets, Rev. A. G. Voigt pastor. German services to-day at 11 A. M. English services at 7:30 P. M. Sunday school at 3:30 P. M. Everybody cordially invited.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran church, North Fourth street, Rev. O. W. Kegley pastor. Sunday school at 9:45 A. M. Preaching, preparatory service and holy communion, at 11 A. M. Services at 7:30 P. M. Church council meeting after morning service. Every person welcome.

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— Integrity is a jewel far more valuable than the purest diamond.

— The devil can afford to take a nap after he has started a quarrel in the church choir.

— The devil was the first being that ever debated G d's truth. But men have been at it ever since.

— If you give the devil a few hard knocks with the Bible when you rise up in the morning, he will not want to follow you so closely during the day.

— "It is a noble and great thing to cover the blemishes and excuse the failings of a friend; to draw a curtain before his stains and to display his perfections; to bury his weaknesses in silence, but to proclaim his virtues upon the housetop."

— God has put it in our power to help each other in many ways. Sometimes by deeds that lift away burdens; sometimes by words that inspire courage and strength; sometimes by sympathy that halves sorrow. But there is no other way in which we can serve others so wisely, so efficiently, so divinely, as by intercession for them.—*J. R. Miller.*

TWINKLINGS.

— Man is the only animal that works the other animals for a living.—*Life.*

— It was a bright reformer who said: "We want good men, and we want 'em bad!"—*Puck.*

— "Do you know what this railroad cost per mile?" "No! But I know what it cost per aldermen."—*Puck.*

— Advise an old man to marry a woman young enough to be his daughter, and he will ask if you take him to be a fool, but he will not be offended.—*Atchison Globe.*

— After all is said and done, the philosopher, all around epicure must indorse the dictum that the proof of the political pudding is largely, if not wholly, in the gleaning of the plums.—*Judge.*

— "Yes, they ran him out of the neighborhood, and threatened him with tar and feathers, and a ride on a rail, and a hempen noose, if he ever came back." "Gracious! What had he done?" Suggested that the tariff could be revised."—*Cleveland Plain Dealer.*

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

R. B. JOHN, P. E., Wilmington, N. C.

Southport, Jan. 11, 12.
Shallotte, Concord, Jan. 13.
Town Creek, —— Jan. 14.
Waccamaw, Shiloh, Jan. 17, 18.
Whiteville, Whiteville, Jan. 18, 19.
Magnolia, Providence, Jan. 24, 25.
Clinton, Clinton, Jan. 30.
Kenansville, Friendship, Jan. 31, Feb. 1.
Bladen, Bethlehem, Feb. 7, 8.
Elizabeth, Elizabethtown, Feb. 9.
Carver's Creek, Council Station Feb. 10.
Onslow, Queen's Creek, Feb. 14, 15.
Jacksonville and Richlands, Half Moon, Feb 21, 22.
District Stewards will please meet in the Ladies' Parlor, Grace church, Wilmington, Tuesday Dec. 30th, at 1 o'clock.
Missionary Institute will be held at Grace church Feb. 4th and 5th, 1903.
District conference will meet at Jacksonville Tuesday Mar. 17th at 8 o'clock P. M. and continue through the 18th and 19th, 1903.

DR. PIERCE'S GOLDEN MEDICAL DISCOVERY FOR THE BLOOD, LIVER, LUNGS.

ROADS OF THE SOUTH

HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT IN THE SOUTHERN STATES.

Can Boast of Some of the Best Roads in the World—The Employment of Convicts on the Highways of North Carolina.

Among the many interesting and valuable articles published in a recent number of Harper's Weekly was the following on highway improvement in the south:

One of the most important, but least conspicuous, movements in the new south is that being made in behalf of good country roads. About fifteen years ago there was a general revival of interest in the building of country roads, and now many communities in the south have systems of roads of which they justly feel proud. Even North Carolina, long known as the Rip Van Winkle of the southern states, has at last awakened and is giving lessons to the outside world in the construction of good roads. It is

MACADAMIZED ROAD IN NORTH CAROLINA.

no exaggeration to say that the roads of Mecklenburg county, N. C., are the best to be found in the entire south.

The county of Mecklenburg is near the South Carolina line, and is pierced by that division of the Southern railroad which extends from Washington to Atlanta. The county seat is Charlotte, a progressive city of thirty thousand inhabitants. Within a radius of one hundred miles of this city there are three hundred cotton factories, comprising more than half of the spindles and looms operated in the south.

In 1890 the authorities of the county conceived the idea of utilizing the convicts for the improvement of the public roads. Instead of locking up offenders in the county jail or sending them to the penitentiary it was decided to employ them at home in improving the highways. A law was passed authorizing the use of convicts for this purpose. The convicts were organized into a squad or camp, placed under the control of a competent supervisor and engineer, and the work of grading, straightening and macadamizing the roads was begun. A short experience demonstrated that the convict laborers cost the county only 25 cents per day per head, including food, lodging, clothing and overseeing.

The outfit for the road work, consisting of a steam roller, crusher, bins, portable engine, road machine and a screen for assorting the rocks, cost about $5,000. At present the county has in operation two road outfits and employs about sixty convicts with each outfit. The total expenditure in constructing each mile of macadamized road is from $1,600 to $2,500, not including bridges. In summer the convicts live in tents along the road, and in winter they live in barracks. The rock used for the roads is bought from the farmers, who haul and deposit it at the convict camp.

These roads have been in process of construction for twelve years at the rate of about ten miles per year. At present there are more than 100 miles of macadamized roads in the county. The roads radiate in all directions from the center of Charlotte and extend ten or fifteen miles to the county limits. The roads of this county have become so famous that delegations from many other states have come here to inspect them.

Many good roads organizations exist in the south. Professor J. A. Holmes of the University of North Carolina has traveled in many states, giving illustrated lectures on road construction and organizing good roads clubs. His campaign has borne much fruit, and the south can now boast of some of the best and most picturesque roads in the whole world.

Gowns For Girl Graduates.

Dainty frocks are made of sheer French mulls, mousseline de sole, point d'esprit, organdie, dotted swiss and also of fine persian and india lawns and nainsook.

A soft sash of wide ribbon, with two short loops and long ends falling almost to the bottom of the dress at the back, is a charming accessory with the commencement dress, whether it be made of silk or a dainty lace trimmed wash fabric.

Sleeves in elbow length will be extremely popular this season, and there is no more becoming style provided the wearer's arms are plump and dimpled. The shirred or puffed sleeve, with lace frill reaching over the hand, is suggested for the girl less favored in this respect.

Flounced and ruffled skirts are exceedingly becoming and are admirably adapted for the development of sheer goods.

White silk or lisle hose and white kid or suede slippers are fitting choices, though they may be replaced with black lacy hose and patent leather slippers in colonial style with a buckle.

White suede or glace kid gloves may be worn or lace mitts. A white gauze fan may either be carried in the hand or suspended from a rope of pearls worn around the neck.—Delineator.

Necessity For Drainage.

In the improvement of earth roads one very important essential often overlooked is the necessity for drainage to carry off the surplus water before it can soak into the surface, says Good Roads Magazine. Good roads can be constructed even in a prairie country, and by the adoption of improved methods immediate recovery from the effects of heavy rains may be insured. The draining is very effective, and with even a shallow dressing of crushed stone or gravel on the surface of an earth road wonderful improvement can be secured.

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There is no reason in the world why a road should not last for ages if it is built of good material and kept in proper repair. If this is not done, the money spent is more than wasted. It is more economical, as a rule, to bring good materials a long distance by rail or water than to employ inferior ones procured close at hand.

A man who has looked into the matter asserts that an owl or a hawk is worth not less than $50 and that any one such bird will destroy during the year at least $3 worth of vermin, which would be 6 per cent interest on such a valuation, and still every man out with a gun will shoot these birds on sight.

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Day and night, sunshine and shadow are not more different from each other than a healthful from a sickly woman. The healthful woman carries light and sunshine with her wherever she goes.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE

— Fayetteville *Observer*: Henry Sutton, a negro, escaped from the county chain gang, which is encamped at Big Sandy Run five miles from Fayetteville Friday morning.

— Weldon *News*: The Roanoke has been full this week, and so early in the new year, too, but let us all hope that later in the season, when the crops are looking green, it will keep within bounds. The water was about 35 feet above low writer mark when at its highest point, but fortunately all crops have been moved out of the low lands and no damage has been reported.

— Lumberton *Robesonian*: Mr. J. W. Skipper died here at the residence of his son, Mr. C. B. Skipper, Thursday morning, about one o'clock. He had been in feeble health for several months and his death was not unexpected. —— Mr. A. E. White is making an effort to organize a stock company to build a tobacco warehouse. If this and the other warehouse, the building of which is being contemplated, are built, it will give us four warehouses in the town.

— Sanford *Express*: Mr. G. H. Makepeace says Pinehurst is filling up with tourists and that many of the cottages and hotels are now occupied. Some fifteen or twenty new cottages will be built and the hotels enlarged in the Spring. —— Twenty-five able-bodied negroes left Sanford Tuesday for the State of West Virginia to work in the coal mines. It seems that the coal companies of that State are trying to supplant white labor with negro labor.

— Greensboro *Record*: Messrs. Spencer, Fisher and Jordan have just received thirty pairs of Hungarian quail and have placed them on the big hunting preserves at Friendship. They come high—$6 a pair. Only one died as a result of the shipment, and Mr. Jordan brought it to the city. In color it resembles our quail, but is larger, and is said to be the hardiest bird of any. It frequents sedge fields, turnip patches, etc., in preference to the woods, but is very swift of wing.

— Wilson *Times*: There is something hard to understand about the altercation between Davis and Johnson at Fremont, last Saturday evening. John received a shot wound in the back of the neck though no pistol was found on Davis' person and he claims he had none. Some think that Davis in the melee took the pistol away from Johnson and in the scuffle as Johnson turned fire the ball into his neck. Others are of the opinion that Johnson accidentally shot himself trying to ward off Davis' blows.

— High Point *Enterprise*: The office of the Tomlinson Chair Manufacturing Co. was entered Wednesday night by safe crackers, who got in their work, leaving the safe a wreck but securing only a small amount of money, about $5.00. The door of the safe was pounded with a sledge hammer until the bolts and cement gave way. The inside door was then broken into pieces. The floor of the office was office was covered with debris and the tools used, sledge hammer, chisel and another small hammer were close by. No dynamite was used.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., January 11.

STEAMSHIPS.

City of Gloucester, (Br) 1,573 tons, Milburn, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

SCHOONERS.

Foster Rice, (Br) 179 tons, Brinton, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Chas C Lister, 267 tons, Moore, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Lady Shea, (Br) 151 tons, Munro, George Harriss, Son & Co.

BARQUES.

Nellie Troop, (Br) 1,317 tons, Nobles, Heide & Co.
Argo, (Nor) 697 tons, Addison, Heide & Co.

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, January 10.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 55c per gallon.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.40 per barrel for strained and $1.45 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.60 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $1.80 per barrel for hard, $3.10 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine quiet at 37@36c; rosin firm at 95c@$1.00; tar firm at $1.25; crude turpentine quiet at $1.10 @2.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	5
Rosin	89
Tar	98
Crude turpentine	31

Receipts same day last year—7 casks spirits turpentine, 1,025 barrels rosin, 134 barrels tar, 43 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 8¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5½	cts. ₱ lb
Good ordinary	7¼	" "
Low middling	7½	" "
Middling	8¼	" "
Good middling	9½	" "

Same day last year, market steady at 7¾c for middling.

Receipts—961 bales; same day last year, 376.

(Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.)

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c. Spanish (new), 65@70c.

CORN—Firm, 65@67½c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 15@16c per pound; shoulders, 10@12½c; sides, 12½c.

EGGS—Dull at 20c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 25@30c; springs, 15@20c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 12@13½c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6¼c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Dull at 50c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2@4c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Money on call steady; all loans 4 per cent, closing offered at 4 per cent; time money easier, ruling prices: 60 days, 5@5¼ per cent; 90 days, 5@5¼ per cent.; six months 5 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 5½@5¾ per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with the actual business in bankers' bills at 486.625@486.875 for demand and 483.375@483 625 for sixty days. Posted rates 484½ and 487½. Commercial bills 482¼@483¼. Bar silver 48¾. Mexican dollars 38¾. Government bonds steady. State bonds—no report. Railroad bonds firm. U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 108¾; U. S. funding 2's, registered, 108¾; U. S. 3's, registered, 106¾; do. coupon, 108. U. S. 4's, new registered, 135½; do. coupon, 135¾; U. S. 4's, old, registered, 109½; do. coupon, 109¾; U. S. 5's, registered, 103¾; do. coupon, 103¾; Southern Railway, 5's, 117¾. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 102¾. Chesapeake & Ohio 49¾; Manhattan L 153¾; New York Central 155; Reading 61¾; do. 1st preferred 87; do. 2nd preferred 76¾; St. Paul 181½; do. pref'd, 194; Southern Railway 35½; do. pref'd 94¾; Amalgamated Copper 64; People's Gas 104½; Sugar 133¾; Tennessee Coal and Iron 63¾; U. S. Leather 12¾; do. pref'd, 91¾; Western Union 91¾; U. S. Steel 38¾; do. pref'd 88¾; Virginia-Carolina Chemical 64; do. preferred, 121. Standard Oil, 732@738.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 10.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 37; do. preferred, bonds, 43¾; fours, 87.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10—Rosin quiet. Strained common to good $1 92½@1 95. Spirits turpentine firm at 57½@58c.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 10.—Spirits turpentine and rosin unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Jan 10.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 55½c; receipts 326 casks; sales 163 casks; exports 321 casks. Rosin firm; receipts 4,653 barrels; sales 1,298 barrels; exports 383 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, $1 50, D, $1 55; E, $1 60; F, $1 65; G, $1 75; H, $2 05; I, $2 40; K $2 90; M, $3 35; N, $3 55; W G, $3 80; W W, $4 20.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—The cotton market opened steady at unchanged prices at a decline of one point and for a time ruled weak, cables being disappointing in view of the strong weekend statistics cabled from this side yesterday. At the same time the weather in the cotton belt was considered favorable for an increased movement and selling was rather free until it became apparent that Wall street parties were absorbing the offerings. A buying movement set in and prices were soon two and three points up from the opening basis. The market was at no time very active, although a firm undertone developed towards noon on the disappointing volume of receipts, estimated for the day at 30,000 bales, against 38,000 last year. The fact that the world's visible supply of cotton is now 507,000 bales less of all kinds than held last year, leads to considerable buying on the investment basis as the absorption of cotton continues to show a record demand from spinners in this country and Europe.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Cotton quiet at 8 90c; net receipts 229 bales; gross receipts 2,514 bales; stock 168,549 bales.

Spot closed quiet; middling uplands 8.90c; middling gulf 9 15c; sales 1,869 bales.

Cotton futures closed very steady: January 8.63, February 8.63, March 8.69, April 8.68, May 8.70, June 8.70, July 8.70, August 8.17.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 28,341 bales; exports to Great Britain 19,938 bales; exports to France 5,700 bales; exports to the Continent 26,000 bales; stock 1,036,881 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 28,341 bales; exports to Great Britain 19,938 bales; exports to France 5,700 bales; exports to the Continent 26,000 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 5,347,762 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,637,786 bales; exports to France 456,056 bales; exports to the Continent 1,660,340 bales

Jan. 10.—Galveston, firm at 8 11-16c, net receipts 6,346 bales; Norfolk, steady at 8¼c, net receipts 3,342 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8¼c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 8.90, net receipts 431 bales; Wilmington, firm at 8¼c, net receipts 971 bales; Philadelphia, steady at 9.15c, net receipts — bales; Savannah, quiet, steady at 8 7-16, net receipts 6,565 bales; New Orleans, steady at 8¼c, net receipts 9,241 bales; Mobile, steady at 8 7-16c, net receipts 518 bales; Memphis, quiet at 8¼c, net receipts 1,170 bales; Augusta, quiet at 8 11-16c, net receipts 141 bales; Charleston, steady at 8¼c, net receipts 698 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Flour was quoted steady: Winter patents $3 60@3 90; Minnesota patents $4 00@4 20. Rye flour steady; fair to good $3 00@3 35. Wheat—Spot steady; No. 2 red 80¼c. Options throughout the forenoon were firm and fairly active on higher cables, local covering and further reports of rain in the Argentine. The close was firm at ¼c net advance: May closed 80⅝c; July closed 78¼c. Corn—Spot steady; No. 2 59c. Options were a shade easier with lower cables, fine weather West and moderate unloading. Last prices showed a partial ⅛c net decline: January closed 57¼c; March 53¼c; May closed 48⅜c; July closed 47¾c. Oats—Spot steady; No. 2, 40c. Options barely steady and dull all day: May closed 40¼. Lard steady; Western steam $10 80; refined lard firm; compound 7¼@7¾c. Pork steady; family $18 00; short clear $19 50@21 50; mess $18 25@18 75. Butter steady; extra creamery 29c; State dairy 20@26¼c. Cheese firm; new State full cream, small colored, fancy fall made 14@14¼; small white, fall made, 14@14¼. Coffee—Spot Rio steady; No. 7 invoice 5¼c; mild quiet; Cordova 7¼@12c. Sugar steady; closing quotations were: confectioner's $4 50; mould A $4 90; cut loaf $5 25; crushed $5 25; powdered $4 75; granulated $4 65; cubes 49 $0. Rice firm; domestic, fair to extra 4¼@6¾c; Japan nominal. Peanuts were steady; fancy hand picked 4¾@4¾c; other domestic 3@3¾. Cabbages steady; domestic, per barrel red $1 00@1 25; white 75@90c. Freights to Liverpool—cotton by steam 12. Eggs firm; State and Pennsylvania average best 30@31c; Western fancy graded 29. Tallow firm; city ($3 per package) 5⅞@6c; country 6¼@6¾. Potatoes were steady; Long Island $2 00@2 25; South Jersey sweets $2 30@3 75; Jerseys $1 75@2 00; New York and Western per 180 lbs., $1 50@2 00. Cotton seed oil was quieter but in firm hands on spot. Closing prices: Prime crude here was nominal; prime crude f. o. b. mills 33@34c; prime summer yellow 40c; off summer yellow 39c; prime white 44c; prime winter yell

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Saw the Devil In A Cave

Miner's Awful Sight In a Gold Filled Cavern

William J. Howard, a miner who is at present residing at St. Joseph, Mo., recently told a remarkable story of an experience he had in the island of Martinique, where he lived five years. Howard says that he was guided to a cave in Mont Pelee by a native of the island three years ago and that he saw tons and tons of gold in the cave. Howard further says that he saw the evil one in the cave, if there is a devil anywhere in the universe of worlds.

"I am not superstitious," said Howard; "and have no belief in any kind of religion. Neither did I believe that there was a Satan, but I saw something in that cavern that would shake any man's ideas about such things. It is almost beyond belief, but it is a fact.

"I first went to St. Pierre about seven years ago," said Howard. "I did not go there in search of gold, but was

A STREAM OF LIGHT SHOT ACROSS THE CAVE.

wandering about to see the world. I liked the place and decided to remain awhile.

"After I had been there a year or two I met a man known by the name of Jocks, who claimed to be a native of Martinique. One night he told me about a cave on the far side of Mont Pelee and said the devil lived there. I paid little attention to the story, but he kept on telling it, and I began to believe the story of the cave, but of course took no stock in the devil part of it. Finally I determined to see the cave and induced the native to guide me to the place.

"We arrived on the side of the mountain about 3 o'clock in the afternoon, and after a long search Jocks showed me a place in a little ravine where he said the entrance to the cave could be found. He held aloof, and I searched the ravine, but there was no opening. I finally persuaded Jocks to show the entrance to me. He was shivering with fright, but went close enough to show me a rock which he said covered the entrance and then fled.

"I tried to move the rock by pulling it or pushing it, but it appeared to be as solid as any other rock in the side of the mountain. While working at it I gave it a sidewise twist, and it moved out of its fixed place, showing an opening large enough for a man to enter. I crawled into the opening, expecting to find nothing more than a small cavern.

"I kept on going, passing through cavern after cavern until I came to one that was about 800 feet square. I had no light, but I could see everything in the cave. It was a beautiful place, and I stood looking at it a long time before I noticed the heap of what I at first supposed to be rocks in the center.

"I examined this heap and found that it was gold—gold in lumps as large as a bowlder and in smaller lumps the size of a peck measure. There was ton upon ton of it, more gold than has been seen in all the world before. I tried to lift one of the smaller nuggets, but it was too heavy. I scraped it with my knife to be sure that it was really gold.

"It was such a stupendous pile of gold that I was awed and not in the least excited. As I stood there I saw a blue and green flame at one side of the cave, and then I noticed a man—or what I at first supposed to be a man—standing there. I took a good look at this being and at that time I believed that I was looking at the evil one.

"This monstrous being—spirit or whatever it was—stood near one corner of the cave. He was larger than an ordinary man. The body appeared to be covered with hair. I could see horns on the head and hoofs where the feet should be. Perhaps my early education had something to do with furnishing all these features. I am not certain about that. I am certain that I saw something there and that I saw the gold.

"When the evil one—or whatever it was—made a motion to me to come to him, I went at once. I had no fear at that time. The terror of the place seized upon me later, and I have never been able since to shake it off entirely. I stood face to face with this form and looked, as I believed then, on the features of Old Nick.

"The face was covered with black hair, coming to a point at the chin like a beard. The eyes were very much like those of a human, but the short horns growing from the top of the forehead dispelled the idea at once that it was a human face. The limbs were long, and the nails were like claws. It was a glistening body that I looked upon. I was pushed into a corner of the cave, and the being beside me manipulated something at his side that turned on a stream of light or flame, which shot across the cave.

"This stream appeared to have no substance, but it was 10,000 times as hot as any fire on earth, it seemed to me. It was more like a searchlight and about the size of a stream from a street hydrant. He turned it upon the heap of gold, and the bowlders of yellow metal were melted like tallow in a hot fire. I saw the yellow metal run on the bottom of the cave. I could not breathe the stifling air and fell down unconscious.

"When I regained consciousness, there was the same dim light in the cave I had seen when I first entered. The heap of gold was still there, and the melted gold was on the floor of the cave. After groping around several hours I found the opening and left the place more dead than alive. When I left the cave, I pushed the rock back in its place and finally reached St. Pierre again. Jocks never appeared there again to my knowledge, although he may have been somewhere on the island. I never learned how he got his information about what was in the cave, and if he knew there was gold in it he never intimated it to me. Although I had no fear while I was in the cave, a sort of terror seized me after I was safe outside, and I suffered from it so much that I was thrown into a fever from which I lay ill several months. I never went back to the cave again and had no desire to get possession of any of the gold there."

Girl Aeronaut's Mad Venture In Balloon

Just because she wanted to show her pluck pretty Mabelle Ward of Milford, R. I., a girl of eighteen years, lies today on a bed of pain, with one leg amputated and with a broken jaw and several ugly flesh wounds. She boasted not long ago that she was not afraid to make a parachute descent from a balloon and then made the attempt on the wager of a box of candy.

Her performance was a part of the Fourth of July sports at Hoag Lake park, Woonsocket, R. I., and thousands of holiday merrymakers saw the slight girl shoot downward apparently to her death. She would undoubtedly have been instantly killed had it not been for an electric light wire on which her chin caught, breaking the force of her fall.

The balloon she used was a new one. While ascending she sat on the parachute bar. When about 300 feet up, she released the parachute and started earthward. The parachute dropped fully 200 feet before opening. Miss Ward by this time had slipped from the seat and was holding on by by her hands to the wrist straps. As the parachute filled with air it shook off the girl's hold from the wrist straps, and she dropped sixty feet to the ground. When within twelve feet of the ground, her chin struck the electric wire, but she fell heavily with all her weight on her right foot, fracturing her thigh.

The spectators were horrified at the spectacle, and a brother of Miss Ward who himself a few days previously was carried aloft head downward on a guy rope, a sister and two friends who were with them fainted at the sight.

Miss Ward was picked up and carried to a cottage near by, where she was attended by surgeons. Later at the hospital it was deemed necessary to amputate the leg above the knee. Miss Ward bore the operation remarkably well.

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We also have a big line of boys' suits to sell out, good suits for little money; strictly all-wool suit for $3, and up; boys' heavy cheviot waists for 35c; white launderied waists with tape extension band for 50c.

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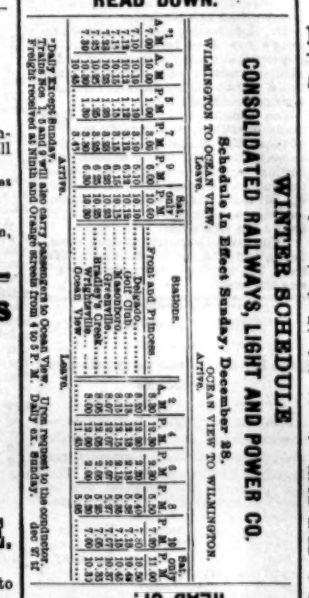

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	No. 48	No. 40
Lv Wilmington	9 30 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	12 01 p m	9 35 p m
Ar Wilson	1 10 p m	10 46 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 55 p m	11 35 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	
Ar Weldon	4 03 p m	1 45 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 38 p m	3 35 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11 40 p m	7 04 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 30 a m	9 10 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 05 a m	11 08 a m
Ar New York	7 15 a m	2 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41	No. 49
Lv New York	9 55 a m	5 38 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 30 a m	7 10 p m
Ar Baltimore	1 04 p m	9 37 p m
Ar Washington	2 10 p m	10 45 p m
Ar Norfolk		9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	6 56 p m	6 39 a m
Ar Petersburg	7 32 p m	9 13 a m
Ar Weldon	9 04 p m	11 32 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 07 p m	12 58 p m
Ar Wilson	10 48 p m	1 46 p m
Ar Goldsboro	7 10 a m	2 55 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	5 45 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	3 45 p m	7 00 p m
Ar Florence	9 35 a m	7 30 p m	9 55 a m‡
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 15 p m	3 45 a m
Ar Savannah	6 35 p m	5 00 a m	7 45 a m
Ar Jacksonville		9 00 a m	12 45 p m
Ar Tampa		7 00 p m	10 00 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.
Lv Tampa	8 00 p m	9 30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7 30 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	1 15 a m
Ar Charleston	5 15 p m	6 35 a m
Ar Florence	8 00 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 45 p m	1 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	West Bound Daily.	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar. 8 00 p m
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Ar Sanford	1 00 p m	Lv. 3 45 p m

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Time Table No. 14.

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GOING EAST. 3 Passenger Trains Arrive	Leave	STATIONS	GOING WEST. 4 Passenger Trains Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	4 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	5 02	Kinston	10 16	.....
1 40	5 20	Newbern	9 55	10 00
7 25	7 25	Morehead City	7 30	7 35
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.05 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.00 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & W. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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SUNDAY MORNING. JAN. 11.

THE INDIANOLA POSTOFFICE.

Will Be Reopened and Minnie Cox Reinstated as Postmaster if Assurances of Protection Are Given.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 10.—Senator McLaurin, of Mississippi, to-day conferred with Postmaster General Payne regarding the Indianola, Miss., postoffice, and again urged the re-opening of the office, either with or without Minnie Cox, the present postmaster, in charge of the office. Senator McLaurin showed Mr. Payne a telegram he received to-day from P. C. Chapman, an attorney of Indianola, stating that the postmaster resigned voluntarily; that she left town voluntarily and that she will be protected if she returns. Senator McLaurin said he was able to give assurance that the postmaster would be entirely safe in returning and stated that the present situation imposed great hardship on the people of Indianola.

The present attitude of the administration is that the postoffice will be reopened and Minnie Cox reinstated as postmaster if the responsible authorities of Indianola furnish assurance of protection. If the mayor and sheriff will give assurance of her safety, Postmaster General Payne will recommend to President Roosevelt, who is personally considering the case, that the office be re-established and the present postmaster brought back to Indianola and installed as charge. Senator McLaurin was told that while assurances from private citizens were gratifying, official assurance is a prerequisite and this assurance will be required by Senator McLaurin. Senator McLaurin also conferred with the President regarding the case.

VENEZUELAN COMMISSION.

Minister Bowen Expected in Washington Within a Week—Arrangements for the Sessions.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 10.—A cablegram, received from Minister Bowen at the State Department to-day, conveys the information that he has decided definitely to sail from LaGuaira for the United States to-morrow, and he should be in Washington within a week or ten days. The minister also stated in his message that considerable distress is being felt through the operation of the blockade in the cutting off of food supplies.

While arrangements have not yet been made for the meeting of the Venezuela commission, some attention has been given to the subject, and it appears that the United States government will be expected to provide accommodations for the body. It is probable that accommodations will be procured in one of the hotels here, for the State Department has no available room to devote to such purposes. Signor Mayor Des Plances, the Italian ambassador here, is, by virtue of seniority, entitled to preside if the proceedings are to be in the nature of a joint meeting, and his long diplomatic service is regarded as peculiarly fitting him for the important work imposed upon the commission. All four of the prospective members of the commission, Signor Mayor des Planches, the Italian ambassador; Sir Michael Herbert, the British ambassador, and Count Quadt and Baron Sternberg as well as Minister Bowen, all speak English perfectly, and it is likely that this language will be the official medium of communication in the commission's proceedings.

BOSTON BANKER ARRESTED.

Held on $20,000 Bail to Answer the Charge of Larceny of a Large Amount of Money.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 10.—Edward J. Dunning, a State street banker, with a residence in Brookline, was to-day indicted, arrested, arraigned and held in $30,000 bail to answer a charge of larceny. It is alleged in the indictment found by the Suffolk grand jury that Dunning fraudulently obtained $33,000 from Francis A. Brooks, for years a leading member of the bar who died last Fall.

Assistant District Attorney McLaughlin stated to the court when Dunning was arraigned that the counts of the indictment do not represent all the money obtained from Mr. Brooks, as Dunning received large sums within the past two years.

When Dunning was brought before Judge Bond, Assistant District Attorney McLaughlin briefly reviewed the principal points in the case and said: "The money was secured by the defendant through a series of gross frauds on Mr. Brooks during the two years prior to his death. The state of Mr. Brooks' health was such that he should not have been permitted to attend to large financial matters and a petition for the appointment of a conservator for his estate was pending at the time the defendant got the money."

Being unable to secure bail, Dunning was taken to jail.

CRAZED BY PAIN.

New York Millionaire Commits Suicide While Suffering from Fever.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Crazed by the pain attending his illness of typhoid fever, Thomas A. O'Donohue, treasurer of the O'Donohue Coffee Company, sprang from the window of his room on the seventh floor of the Ormonde apartment house, landing on the sidewalk. He died ten minutes later. The sick man was attended by a trained nurse whom he had sent from the room by a ruse. The attendant re-appeared just as Mr. O'Donohue was about to take the plunge and sprang toward him, but was too late to prevent it. Mr. O'Donohue was 57 years of age and a millionaire.

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MINE OWNERS' SIDE OF CONTROVERSY.

Continuation of the Hearing Before the Anthracite Coal Strike Commission.

DENY STATEMENT OF MINERS

Declare There is No Merit in Demand for an Increase of Wages—Employment Is Not Extra Hazardous—Union Blamed for Whole Trouble.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 10.—The representatives of the Delaware and Hudson Company, the first of the coal companies to present its side of the controversy with the anthracite mine workers to the strike commission, occupied both sessions to-day of the commission. Three persons appeared before the arbitrators on behalf of the company. They were James H. Torrey, of Scranton, the company's principal counsel in the absence of David Wilcox, the vice president and general counsel of the company, who is ill; Charles C. Rose, of Scranton, superintendent of the mining department of the company, and Absl L. Culver, of New York, comptroller of the company. Mr. Torrey made an address, indicating what the company intended to prove. Superintendent Rose told of the conditions in and about the company's twenty-four collieries, and Comptroller Culver presented the wage statements and other statistics having a bearing on the issues before the commission. Chairman Gray, who is ill, was unable to be present, and General Wilson again presided.

Mr. Torrey began the day's proceedings by reading his statement. It declares there is no merit in the miners' demand for a 20 per cent. increase in wages, and that the breakers have operated on an average of less than eight hours a day. The statement says the general average of wages was $518.95 for men and $196.93 for boys. It is claimed that "there is no manual employment requiring so little training or skill, the exposure to so little risk of health or life, and the occupation of so small a portion of the working day, which is so liberally compensated in wages as the work of the anthracite miner," and that the employment is not extra hazardous and is more than ordinarily healthful. An agreement with the miners' union is declared undesirable, and the relations of the company with its men are said to have been harmonious until they were disturbed by the "machinations" of the officers and agents of the union.

Mr. Rose took the stand after Mr. Torrey's remarks. Under examination by Mr. Torrey the superintendent said that prior to the strike in 1900 the relations between the company and the men were cordial, but that most of its men had since joined the miners' union which resulted in considerable discontent and the breaking up of discipline. The witness said the company requires the men to load from 2,750 to 2,850 hundred weight to a car; that the size of mine cars differ, at various coal collieries, and that the prices paid the men vary with the size of the cars. He knew of no black list in the anthracite regions.

Mr. Rose concluded his testimony by producing a letter written to him by President Olyphant, of the company, after the strike ended. The letter told him to stand by the men who stood by the company during the strike. He was instructed to warn those employes to be careful, and "if reviled, revile not again." Regarding the returning strikers, the letter said: "Give them a good welcome; they are not all bad who are misled."

The communication also instructed the superintendent to take back all men where places could be found for them, but no man should be taken back who had been guilty of committing a crime.

Mr. Mitchell examined the witness, and asked if the company could not find a better system for paying the men than the one now in force. It is now the custom, Mr. Mitchell said, for the company to pay the contract miner and the latter in turn pays the laborer. In order to make change and divide the earnings, the miner and laborer usually goes to a saloon.

Mr. Rose replied that it was not necessary for them to do that; but if a request was made the company would gladly furnish a place where the men could divide their earnings without visiting drinking places.

The commissioners asked Mr. Rose many questions, and in reply to some of them he said that since the union entered the field the company was having trouble in getting an honest topping on its mine cars. In reply to Mr. Mitchell he said the men were not loading as much coal now as they did before the 1900 strike.

"You have the power to dock them, haven't you?" asked Mr. Mitchell. "We have, but we don't fully exercise it," was the reply.

FIRE AT NASHVILLE.

Large Dry Goods House Destroyed—Loss Over $220,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NASHVILLE, TENN., January 10.—The wholesale dry goods establishment of Lyle & Black Company was destroyed by fire this afternoon. The fire started in the basement and its origin is supposed to be due to a defective electric connection.

The dry goods houses of Kornman & Sawyer, and O'Brien Brothers, on either side of the burned building, caught fire, but the flames were extinguished without much difficulty. These concerns sustained considerable damage to their stock by water. The loss on the Lyle-Black stock is estimated at $210,000 and is covered by insurance for $100,000. The house is valued at $18,000 and is insured for $10,000.

ASSOCIATED BANKS.

Statement of Averages for the Week Ended Saturday.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—The weekly bank statement of averages of the Associated Banks, as compared with last accounts, shows:

Loans $875,642,100, decrease $3,710,000; deposits $873,609,600, increase $494,600; circulation $45,639,100, increase $66,100; legal tenders $76,655,700, increase $3,189,800; specie $156,549,800, increase $1,150,300; reserve $233,212,700 increase $4,740,100; reserve required $218,402,400, increase $123,650; surplus $14,810,300; increase $4,616,450; ex-United States deposits $34,854,350; increase $4,630,450.

Mother: If baby has a cough or cold, Auway's Croup Syrup will cure him and give all hands a good night's sleep. It is safe to give babies and no home is safe without a bottle on hand. Thousands use it; every mother who has used it will testify to its merits. 25 cts. at Robt. R. Bellamy's.

TOBACCO SMUGGLERS ARRESTED IN NEW YORK.

The Red Star Steamship Finland from Antwerp in Charge of Customs and Police Officers.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Customs officials to-night arrested Jacob von Sternbergen, charged with smuggling tobacco, and subsequently made a search of the Red Star steamship Finland, lying in the North river. Von Sternbergen, who is employed on the vessel, was found to be wrapped with tobacco which was cleverly concealed under his clothing.

Several months ago the customs inspectors unearthed a plot to bring Sumatra tobacco from Antwerp into this country without the payment of duty. Two seizures of considerable proportions resulted. To-night Inspectors Hooley, Angle, Oypherly and Nevins saw von Sternbergen leave the Finland, and noticing that he was of peculiar shape, halted and searched him. They found many thin bundles of tobacco under his clothing. The vessel was then searched and while the officers were at work the crew of the Finland made a raid on the dynamo room for the purpose of cutting off the electric lights. The chief engineer and the custom house inspectors drew their revolvers and drove the men back. The inspectors then sought police assistance and completed their search. They did not succeed, however, in finding any more tobacco. Six customs and police officers are now in charge of the vessel.

Earlier in the day inspectors observed two men near the gangway of the Finland acting suspiciously. The men succeeded in breaking away and getting back to the steamship. The officers declare that yesterday they chased one of the crew across a street near the pier after recovering ten pounds of tobacco, and that the man got away.

A SENSATION IN MADRID.

Supposed Attempt Upon the Life of King Alfonso—A Pistol Shot Fired—No One Was Injured.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MADRID, Jan. 10.—As King Alfonso, Dowager Queen Christina and the court were returning from church this afternoon, a man who afterwards gave his name as Feito, fired a pistol at one of the carriages in the royal procession. The bullet went wild and no one was injured. The king heard the shot and put his head out of the carriage window but he was immediately dragged back into his seat by the queen mother. The escort of civil guards threw themselves upon the would be assassin and overpowered him.

Feito was taken to the police station where he said he did not desire to kill the king, but the grand chamberlain, the Duke of Sotomayor, at whose carriage he had aimed. He was searched and in his pockets were found unmailed letters marked "registered" and addressed to President Roosevelt, King Edward, the Emperor of Germany, and the President of the High Court of Justice at Mexico, and also receipts for a number of registered letters and a visiting card of the mayor of Madrid.

Feito later was put under examination by a magistrate to whom he repeated his statement as to the object of his shooting. He insisted he was not an anarchist, and said that his wife, a French woman, had confined him in a lunatic asylum. The prisoner in making this statement did not appear excited, but there are indications that he is insane.

The minister of the interior has telegraphed to the prefect in the provinces that the attempt was directed against the grand chamberlain, not against the king.

A police sergeant who was the first to seize Feito, makes the following statement:

"After the king's carriage passed, Feito, who was standing in front of me, raised a pistol and fired at the second carriage in the procession. Before he could fire a second time, I struck him with my sword. 'You wish to kill me, but I seek the life of the Duke of Sotomayor, who is the cause of all my troubles,' he cried."

The Duke of Sotomayor, however, was not in the second carriage. It was occupied by the Marquis de Laminak and two palace officials.

It is the custom of the Spanish court to attend divine services every Saturday at the church of Atocha. This church, however, is being re-built and the king now goes to the church of Buen Suceso. On these occasions the court proceeds in state, preceded and followed by mounted detachments of the royal body guard and accompanied by carriages containing the court dignitaries and grandees of Spain.

After the shooting incident the people gathered along the route from the church to the palace and gave the king a great ovation as the carriage proceeded slowly towards the royal residence. The prefect of Madrid, who was in the last carriage, left the procession and gave orders for Feito to be taken to the police station. Feito is thirty-four years old and was born at Posadas. He returned to Spain from Mexico last June. He was slightly cut in the head by the police sergeant's sword.

Questioned as to what reason he had for wishing to kill the grand chamberlain, Feito said the Duke of Sotomayor had offered him a position at the palace but had failed to fulfill his promise.

BEET SUGAR PRODUCERS.

Not Satisfied With the Cuban Reciprocity Treaty Pending in the Senate.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 10.—For three days representatives of the beet sugar industry of Michigan have been in conference in this city not only among themselves and other beet sugar producers from other States, but also with the Michigan delegation in Congress. To-day Senator Burrows had a long interview with President Roosevelt, during which it is understood he indicated to him that the Cuban reciprocity treaty now pending in the Senate was not satisfactory to the beet sugar interests.

What the producers chiefly desire is stability of rates which would enable them to put additional capital in their industry and develop it further with some assurance of success.

So far as is known the President has not indicated what his attitude might be concerning the proposition to amend the pending treaty.

John Hollins, a negro, was taken off a train two miles south of Drew, Mississippi, Friday night by a mob of masked men and shot to death. Hollins was charged with attempting a criminal assault upon a white girl.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

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STRINGENCY OF COAL SITUATION.

A National Convention Proposed to Meet in Washington at an Early Date.

CONFERENCE HELD IN CHICAGO

Decided to Impress on President Roosevelt the Urgent Need for Immediate Relief—Attorney General Knox Censured for Failure.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Jan. 10.—A national convention at Washington for the purpose of impressing on President Roosevelt the urgent need for immediate relief from the stringency of the coal situation, was decided on to-day at a conference in the Grand Pacific Hotel. The call for the gathering will be issued probably Monday, by Mayor Maybury, of Detroit, acting as chairman of the permanent committee of the Detroit Coal Convention. It was this committee which to-day agreed on the necessity for a national meeting at the capital.

The conference opened at 10 o'clock this morning and at an adjourned session it was voted to reconvene the Detroit convention at Washington at the earliest practicable date. This decision followed a series of speeches, in which Attorney General Knox was censured, it being alleged in the meeting that he had not enforced the laws by which, it was urged, redress could be secured. There was a considerable divergence of opinion at first as to the most effective method to be pursued to obtain relief from the present prices of coal. Suggestions were made that an open letter be addressed to President Roosevelt, that a convention be called at Detroit or Chicago, or that Congress be appealed to for action. The proposal to "move on Washington in a body," finally prevailed, it being agreed that the enforcement of existing laws offered adequate means of relief.

The delegation to the Detroit convention, and in addition, chambers of commerce, boards of trade, governors of States and mayors of large cities will be asked to name representatives. The date has not been fixed.

The speeches made by Senator Mason, Mr. Turney, Rev. R. A. White and Mayor Maybury indicated that the convention at Washington would be devoted largely to the presentation of charges that Attorney General Knox has failed to grant the relief that the laws make possible.

CHICAGO, Jan. 10.—The prompt action of States' Attorney Charles S. Deneen, upon information furnished him by the special committee appointed by the Illinois Central Manufacturers Association, resulted in the covening to-day of a special grand jury to inquire into the causes for the high prices demanded for coal by Chicago dealers.

Judge McEwen's charge was brief and confined largely to the defining of the duties of the jurors. "It is not necessary to indulge in any language," he said, after reading to them the State's attorney's petition, "to impress upon you or upon any fair-minded person the crime and infamy of such a situation as is here set forth. Your duties with regard to the investigation are set forth in the oath you have taken."

The jury then retired to enter upon its investigation.

COTTON FROM EAST AFRICA.

First Shipment Arrived on German Soil. Only Four Bales.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The first shipment of cotton from East Africa, as well as the first successful crop of Egyptian cotton ever raised outside of Egypt, has just arrived on German soil, says United States Consul Monaghan in a report to the State Department from Chemnitz. Although consisting of but four bales, the shipment is regarded as signifying the wide possibilities for the future cotton import trade of Germany, and should further efforts prove successful German East Africa, says the consul, may become an important source of cotton for German mills. The product is of a brownish yellow color and has a long silky fibre. Credit for this achievement, the consul adds, is to be attributed to the skill of American agriculturists whom the German government engaged to go to East Africa and instruct the natives in the method of preparing the soil, planting the seed and harvesting the product. "This all goes to show," the report concludes, "that Germany's commercial policy includes an effort to make herself independent, as far as possible, of all markets in the matter of raw materials."

SEABOARD AIR LINE.

The Entire System South of Columbia, S. C., to Be Redivisioned.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., Jan. 10.—General Superintendent F. K. Huger, of the Seaboard Air Line, issued an order to-day to the effect that on January 10th the entire system south of Columbia, S. C., would be re-divisioned as follows:

Fourth division—Columbia to Jacksonville and Fernandina to Chattahoochee river and branches, including Fernandina terminals and Baldwin yard, with R. W. Hudson as superintendent.

Fifth division—Savannah to Montgomery and branches, including Savannah terminals, with Walter Hale as superintendent.

Sixth division—Jacksonville and Baldwin and all lines south of Baldwin, including Jacksonville terminals, with D. E. Maxwell superintendent.

SUIT FILED.

Against Sale of Shelby Railroad to L. & N. and C. & O. Roads.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LOUISVILLE, KY., Jan. 10.—Suit was filed here to-day by the minority stockholders of the Shelby Railroad Company against the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company and the Chesapeake and Ohio, asking that the sale of the Shelby railroad to the Louisville and Nashville be set aside and that a receiver be appointed. The sale was made March 3, 1902 and the consideration was $150,366. The plaintiffs allege that the road is in reality worth $600,600. The road was held by the Chesapeake and Ohio under a lease. Plaintiffs say that no dividends were ever paid and they ask an accounting.

Fire at Bristol, Tenn., caused a loss of about $25,000, totally destroying the produce establishment of M. B. Amber and the tobacco warehouse of Frank Winston. A number of other structures were damaged.

SEVERE STORM OUT WEST.

Heavy Snow Falling and Weather Growing Colder—Coal Scarcity Makes Situation Alarming.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HURON, S. D., Jan. 10.—Another severe wind and snow storm struck this part of the State to-day and to-night the wind is blowing a gale and the air is so filled with fine snow that travel is unsafe. Railways cuts are again filled with snow and great drifts are seen everywhere. The storm is severe on stock and scarcity of fuel makes conditions in this locality alarming. Because of the shortage of fuel the various churches have held their meetings in private homes. The strictest economy is practiced everywhere.

TOPEKA, KAS., Jan. 10.—A heavy snow is falling here with the weather growing colder and the city is out of coal. Not a dealer in town has a car load on hand and none is in sight. It is expected that there will be suffering before the famine is relieved, as many of the people are entirely out of fuel.

SISSETON, S. D., January 10.—Twin daughters of Ole Thorson, a farmer living twelve miles west of here, were frozen to death in the recent blizzard, according to information received to-day. They set out for home with their father but lost their way and wandered all night, perishing before dawn. The father was not badly frozen. The girls were 14 years old.

WRECK ON THE SOUTHERN.

Fireman and Brakeman Killed—Damage to Property Considerable.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Jan. 10.—A serious wreck in the Southern Railway yard in this city early this morning caused by the collision of a shifting engine pushing seven flat cars of brick and an outgoing freight train bound for Augusta, caused the death of Fireman Frank Yeldell and Brakeman William Chapman, both colored.

Conductor Pound and Engineer Reese saved themselves by jumping. The damage to property is considerable. Four cars were thrown from the track and demolished and the engine of the freight was stripped. The responsibility of the collision has not yet been definitely fixed, although members of the railroad commission were soon at the scene of the wreck.

PLAGUE AT MAZATLAN.

Continues Without Abatement—Disease Now Attacking Convalescents

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MAZATLAN, MEXICO, Jan. 10.—The plague continues without material abatement. There are forty-three patients at the lazarettos and the disease is now attacking people convalescing from previous attacks. The city has been divided for sanitary purposes into four sections and each section will be thoroughly disinfected under medical supervision. The sewers are to be cleaned and the streets paved.

The Congress of the State of Sinaloa has been convoked in extra session to consider questions arising by reason of the stagnation of business and to consider also the future of the port.

A BURGLAR KILLED.

Identified as a Convict from the Penitentiary at Raleigh, N. C.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, GA., Jan. 10.—A burglar who was shot and killed by a policeman here early yesterday morning, was to-day identified as Harry Belmont, an escaped convict from the penitentiary at Raleigh, N. C. Belmont robbed the postoffice at Ocilla, Ga., in 1893, was arrested at Savannah and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary at Raleigh. He escaped after serving one year and was not again heard of until he was killed in Atlanta while attempting to escape from policeman Mann who caught him in the act of robbing a store.

WARM WIRELETS

The schooner Viola Reypard, Captain Williams, from Boston for Brunswick, is ashore at Bermuda, and has been abandoned. She will probably be total loss.

Former Mayor Abram S. Hewitt, of New York, is precariously ill in his home in that city. He is suffering from a critical attack of obstructive jaundice, and has been confined to his bed since Thursday. His condition is exceedingly grave.

President Roosevelt has received an invitation to attend the annual convocation of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, South, to be held in Lexington, Va., next May. The President indicated that he probable would not be able to accept.

The Senate Committee on the Judiciary will meet Monday next for the purpose of taking up the trust question. It is expected the committee will go into the subject very thoroughly and that a number of meetings will be held either by the full committee or a sub-committee.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

☞ NOTICES For Rent or Sale, Lost or Found, Wants, and other short Miscellaneous Advertisements inserted in this Department, in solid Nonpariel Type, for 1 cent per word each insertion; but no advertisement taken for less than 25 cents. Terms positively cash in advance.

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☞ Wanted—By all round man, position in installment business of dry goods and furniture. A 1 reference. Address "A," STAR office. jan 11 3t*

☞ Lost—While making purchases yesterday on Front street a pocket-book was lost, containing a $10 greenback and a Canadian $5 bill. Reward for its return to W. G. Farmer. jan 11 1t

☞ Notice is hereby given that I will apply to the Board of Aldermen of the city of Wilmington and the Board of Commissioners of the county of New Hanover for license to retail spirituous liquors at 20 Taylor street. D. Gibson & Co. jan 9 8t

☞ The Mechanics' Home Association opens a new series of Building and Loan stock every January and July. N. Jacobi President. W. N. Cumming, Secretary. jan 7 tf

☞ Pipe Organs and Pianos tuned. For a short time I will be at 114 South Third street. Please send orders early. John G. Russell, jan 6 1w

☞ Notice—The tug-boat LaChiquita having been sold by J. L. Russ to Peter Simpson, all persons having claims against said boat will present them to me within thirty days from the date of this notice. This the 18th day of December, 1902. Robert G. Grady. dec 19 30t

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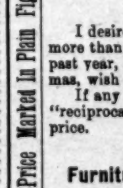

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